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Chapter 1461: Lu Yanghua: What the Heck Happened on the Front Line

After verifying, Emperor Zi Ji found that the title "Heavenly Emperor" indeed could not be assumed casually.

He clearly felt just now that if he had said the last word, his divine soul would have been annihilated.

Just thinking about such a fear of death made Emperor Zi Ji's body tremble uncontrollably.

Too terrifying!

In this way of thinking, the title of Heavenly Emperor can't be claimed casually. Has Lu Chen's name been acknowledged by the Heavenly Dao?

Even if Lu Chen is not the Heavenly Emperor now, he is very likely to achieve this position in the future, and perhaps soon.

No wonder Emperor Thunderbolt chose to join under Lu Chen.

Thinking to this point, Emperor Zi Ji no longer hesitated; he directly bowed to Lu Chen and said: "I pay respects to the Heavenly Emperor!"

Lu Chen said: "Bring your legion over, the army of the Shenyue Dynasty is almost here."

As soon as Lu Chen's words fell, his body disappeared, leaving only Emperor Thunderbolt and Emperor Zi Ji in the void.

Emperor Thunderbolt said with a smile: "I thought you wouldn't choose the Great Sum Dynasty."

Emperor Zi Ji ignored this and said: "Thunderbolt, you are rather sly, discovering a future Heavenly Emperor without telling me, sneakily joining the Great Sum Dynasty yourself."

Emperor Thunderbolt chuckled and said: "Future Heavenly Emperor? Who told you that His Majesty is the future Heavenly Emperor?"

Emperor Zi Ji said puzzled: "He's only at the First Layer Realm of the Great Emperor, isn't he the future Heavenly Emperor?"

Emperor Thunderbolt immediately guessed what Emperor Zi Ji was thinking and then said with a smile: "What if I tell you that was just His Majesty's clone?"

Emperor Zi Ji's mind froze.

Clone?

Not the main body?

He clearly felt Lu Chen's complete divine soul, and this turns out to be just a clone? Emperor Zi Ji looked at Emperor Thunderbolt, seeming to want to discern from his facial expression whether Emperor Thunderbolt was joking.

Emperor Thunderbolt continued: "Even I haven't seen His Majesty's main body yet, but I've seen his other clones, one at the Second Realm of Great Emperor, and another at the Fourth Layer."

Emperor Thunderbolt believed he saw all of Lu Chen's clones, for Lu Chen's main body and clone, apart from their realm, hardly differ at all, even their divine soul is complete.

What he didn't expect was that Lu Chen's divine soul could control countless bodies.

Emperor Thunderbolt continued: "Given the ability to create so many Great Emperor clones and ensure the completeness of the divine soul without any flaws visible, what do you think his realm should be?"

Emperor Zi Ji gasped; he replied saying: "If so, he truly is..."

Emperor Zi Ji did not continue to say, he no longer dared to think further.

Emperor Thunderbolt nodded, then said: "When you bring your legion to join the Great Sum Dynasty, you will feel the benefits brought by the Heavenly Emperor."

"Once my legion joined the Great Sum Dynasty, twenty Quasi-Emperors immediately became Great Emperors. Among them, many were injured by the Dao, and even some with shattered Dao Hearts succeeded in attaining this state."

Listening to Emperor Thunderbolt describe these events, Emperor Zi Ji's breathing became increasingly rapid. If that's true, wouldn't his legion also give birth to dozens, even twenty Great Emperors?

Mass production of Great Emperors?

Wouldn't the Great Sum Dynasty's strength now match that of the Shenyue Dynasty?

No, perhaps already surpassed the Shenyue Dynasty.

Emperor Zi Ji quickly turned around, leaving only one sentence, "No more talk, I'll lead the legion over there now."

Meanwhile, Lu Yanghua, riding the Immortal Boat, quickly traversed the universe, soon reaching a division pavilion of Tianji Pavilion.

Just when Lu Yanghua was about to use the Heaven Rank Transmission Array of the Tianji Pavilion division to transport directly to the front line, a soldier rushed hurriedly to Lu Yanghua.

"Your Majesty, urgent report from the front line!"

Hearing this, Lu Yanghua frowned; he didn't let the soldier recite it, directly raised a hand, and the battle report in the soldier's hand flew into the air, then emitted a golden light, displaying line by line words in the sky.

After reading all the content of the battle report, Lu Yanghua fell into silence, and the few Great Emperors of Tianji Pavilion beside him also remained silent.

This battle report exudes mystery everywhere.

Although Emperor Thunderbolt was indeed originally in Lu Chen's faction, the Shenyue Dynasty has a new emperor now, the power struggle has ended, and has already sent troops to crusade against Lu Chen; Lu Chen will soon be dealt with.

Under such circumstances, Emperor Thunderbolt still chose to join the Great Sum Dynasty?

Is Thunderbolt Emperor out of his mind going to join the Great Sum Dynasty?

Could it be internal strife at the front line, with someone falsely accusing Emperor Thunderbolt?

Upon reacting, Lu Yanghua planned to accelerate towards the White Rock Star Domain Group, but at this moment, another soldier knelt down in front of him, flustered.

The soldier looked pale, sweat the size of beans kept falling from his forehead, "Your... Your Majesty, front line... urgent report..."

As the soldier spoke, not only did his voice tremble, but his body also trembled continuously.

Lu Yanghua's expression became even more grim; from the soldier's reaction, it was clear that something bad had happened again at the front line.

Lu Yanghua again raised a hand, a cluster of spiritual power wrapped the second soldier's battle report, opening it in mid-air.

In the next instant, the content of the second battle report displayed in the air; upon seeing the words in the second report, everyone present became completely perplexed.

After Emperor Thunderbolt pledged to the Great Sum Dynasty, Emperor Zi Ji said he would crusade against the traitor, but ended up leading his army to the Great Sum Dynasty, joining the Great Sum Dynasty as well?

What on earth is going on?

Lu Yanghua instantly became furious; what exactly was happening at the front line!

Why do these Emperors one by one ponderlessly pledge to the Great Sum Dynasty?

Pledging allegiance to Lu Chen, that worthless person, what future could there be? Only certain death awaited.

And although Emperor Thunderbolt's allegiance to Lu Chen could barely be justified since Emperor Thunderbolt once supported Lu Chen, and now disliked by the new emperor, he might feel some grievances and impulsively joined Lu Chen, which could still make sense.

But Emperor Zi Ji had no interaction with them; he wasn't part of Lu Chen's faction. Why would he go pledging to the Great Sum Dynasty?

Could it be he's out of his mind too?

Lu Yanghua shouted angrily, "Head to the White Rock Star Domain Group immediately, I want to see what they're all doing at the front line!"

At this moment.

The White Rock Star Domain Group, within the Ning'an Dynasty Star Domain.

"It really broke through!"

"My god, what the General said was actually true!"

"Why is the Great Sum Dynasty's Fortune so dense?"

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The soldiers of the Ziji Legion danced with excitement. As they entered the barrier of the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, they lost the Fortune blessing from the Shenyue Dynasty. However, before their realms could drop, their cultivation states began to soar.

At this time, Emperor Thunderbolt came before Emperor Zi Ji, laughing and saying: "How is it, I didn't deceive you, did I?"

Chapter 1462 The Qi Fortune of the Daxia Dynasty Increases

Emperor Zi Ji felt the realm he had broken through to, and suddenly wondered if he was dreaming.

The dynastic Qi fortune of the Great Sum Dynasty that supported him far exceeded that of the Shenyue Dynasty. Even after gaining support from the Tianji Pavilion, the Shenyue Dynasty's Qi fortune rose significantly, yet it still couldn't compare to the Great Sum Dynasty.

From this perspective, perhaps there truly is a Heavenly Emperor behind the Great Sum Dynasty, it's just...

Is that Heavenly Emperor really Lu Chen?

Wasn't Lu Chen the Ninth Prince of the Shenyue Dynasty?

No matter how talented he may be, even if he reincarnated, he shouldn't be able to break through to the Heavenly Emperor realm so soon.

Emperor Zi Ji could never fathom what exactly was happening.

Forget it, I won't think about it anymore. Anyway, the concentrated Qi fortune of the Great Sum Dynasty isn't faked. Not only has his strength improved, but the strength of all the soldiers in his legion has also increased.

Emperor Zi Ji then looked towards his legion's vice generals and found that most quasi-emperors had already broken through to the Great Emperor realm, just as Thunderbolt Emperor had said from the beginning.

Emperor Zi Ji now could barely imagine what kind of force the Great Sum Dynasty had become. Just the two legions brought by him and Thunderbolt Emperor already consisted of over forty Great Emperors.

Not to mention the strength possessed by the Great Sum Dynasty itself; just over forty Great Emperors alone would be considered a super force in the universe.

Of course, the strength of a cosmic super force is not merely measured by the number of Great Emperors but also by the realm of these Great Emperors.

Currently, while the number of Great Emperors in the Great Sum Dynasty is truly impressive, most have broken through due to the dynastic Qi fortune, making them comparatively weaker than those who naturally breakthrough.

Furthermore, the Great Sum Dynasty might lack some higher realm Great Emperors, like those in the Ninth Layer realm.

Emperor Zi Ji stated, "It seems that Your Majesty truly aims for the entire universe."

Normally, the number of Great Emperors cannot measure the strength among super forces, but that is only in usual circumstances. If a super force's number of Great Emperors exceeds a certain scale, then the number might become a decisive factor in victory in war. The Great Sum Dynasty can now mass-produce Great Emperors, and if one day the number reaches one hundred, or one thousand, even ten thousand.

Even when facing those Ninth Layer Great Emperors, the weakest Great Emperors of the Great Sum Dynasty could explode their Divine Souls in turns, capable of slaying those Ninth Layer Great Emperors.

Imagining that scene made Emperor Zi Ji shiver uncontrollably.

Too terrifying, too brutal!

Emperor Zi Ji didn't continue to think about it. At that moment, they suddenly felt a surge of the Power of Slaughter sweeping over them.

In an instant, both Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji were stunned.

Power of Slaughter?

Could it be the arrival of the Shenyue Emperor?

The duo hurried to the place where the Power of Slaughter emanated, only to find it did not come from outside the barrier but rather from the Feihong Immortal Boat.

Seeing the Power of Slaughter spreading from within the Immortal Boat, Emperor Zi Ji curiously asked, "Who is inside this Immortal Boat?"

Emperor Zi Ji had only recently joined the Great Sum Dynasty, thus unfamiliar with its circumstances, nor was he aware that there were two people in the Great Sum Dynasty wielding the Power of Slaughter.

Although the Immortal Boat had been stationed here since his arrival, with the Power of Slaughter emanating from it, it signified that the person inside must be an Emperor within the Great Sum Dynasty.

Thunderbolt Emperor replied, "I heard the soldiers of the War Dragon Army say this belongs to an Empress, who is also one of His Majesty's women."

Thunderbolt Emperor was similarly unaware of Empress Tianhong, having joined not much earlier than Emperor Zi Ji.

At this moment, Thunderbolt Emperor observed the rampant Power of Slaughter near the Feihong Immortal Boat, muttering to himself, "Didn't expect another Great Emperor who proves their Dao through slaughter."

Emperor Zi Ji keenly caught the keyword; his eyes widened in shock as he looked at Thunderbolt Emperor, "Another? Does the Great Sum Dynasty have other Great Emperors who prove their Dao through slaughter?"

Thunderbolt Emperor answered, "Our Majesty is one."

This...

Emperor Zi Ji paused, pondering how much he was unaware of concerning the Great Sum Dynasty.

Thunderbolt Emperor glanced at Emperor Zi Ji, then humorously remarked, "Our Majesty probably isn't as simple as just the Ninth Prince of the Shenyue Dynasty; for the restoration of the Great Dao, reincarnating Great Emperors are numerous, and reincarnating Heavenly Emperors isn't impossible either."

Listening to Thunderbolt Emperor's words, Emperor Zi Ji found peace in his heart indeed, perhaps Lu Chen is a reincarnation of a Heavenly Emperor, only to be reborn as the Ninth Prince of the Shenyue Dynasty.

Now that his memories have returned and his realm is gradually recovering, naturally, he would exhibit his ambitions.

Thunderbolt Emperor continued, "Looks like she has broken through."

"We should step back a bit."

Although the rampant Power of Slaughter in the void wasn't precisely targeting them, being struck by it wouldn't be pleasant.

Consequently, Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji swiftly moved away from the Feihong Immortal Boat, while inside the boat, Lu Chen stood beside Empress Tianhong, sensing the fluctuation in her aura.

At this moment, Empress Tianhong opened her eyes, resembling rubies, and once opened, her gaze locked onto Lu Chen.

Seeing that Lu Chen came not as his main body, she felt somewhat disappointed, as she now wondered how much of a gap existed between her realm and Lu Chen's.

Lu Chen smiled and said, "Congratulations on your breakthrough again."

Upon hearing this, Empress Tianhong didn't feel the slightest joy in her heart.

So what if she broke through, she was still suppressed by Lu Chen, unless she could break free of her contract with him.

Moreover, her breakthrough this time had little to do with herself; she was suddenly washed by an increase in dynastic Qi fortune, which cleansed her Divine Soul, subsequently leading to her breakthrough in realm.

Clearly, her ability to break through was due to the Great Sum Dynasty's Qi fortune becoming even more concentrated, and she, as a woman of Lu Chen, the Dynast Qi Emperor of the dynasty, received the Qi fortune augmentation, causing her realm to rise correspondingly.

Empress Tianhong suddenly thought that since her realm had risen alongside the increase in dynastic Qi fortune, it suggested that Lu Chen's main body might have broken through as well. With this thought, Empress Tianhong's expression turned even colder.

It seems her dignity as an Empress was about to be trampled upon again.

Empress Tianhong icily asked, "What did you do for the dynastic Qi fortune to grow so concentrated?"

Lu Chen replied, "It's possible that the Great Sum Dynasty has added dozens of Great Emperors, which has led to an increase in its Qi fortune."

Dynastic Qi fortune and Great Emperor numbers are mutually reinforcing; with rich Qi fortune, the potential for more Great Emperors increases. When the number of Great Emperors rises, the Qi fortune consequently becomes denser.

Emperor Zi Ji brought a legion into the Great Sum Dynasty, and after the Ziji Legion's quasi-emperors broke through, the empire gained over twenty additional Great Emperors, making it hard for dynastic Qi fortune not to grow.

Upon hearing Lu Chen's answer, Empress Tianhong fell into silence, pondering if Lu Chen refrains from killing those Great Emperors just to boost the dynastic Qi fortune.

Chapter 1463: Lu Yanghua Assassinating the King to Seize the Throne?

Thinking of the Realm improvement brought to her by the Dynast Qi Fortune, Empress Tianhong's resentment towards Lu Chen had diminished somewhat.

Her scarlet eyes focused on Lu Chen, she said coldly, "What is your current Realm, your main body?"

Lu Chen smiled and said, "Why do you ask? Do you intend to spar with me again?"

Empress Tianhong didn't say anything, she just continued to stare directly at Lu Chen.

Empress Tianhong's eyes, as crystal clear as rubies, combined with her breathtaking beauty, made Lu Chen feel somewhat restless.

No matter how many times he confronted Empress Tianhong, the desires in his heart were always stirred by her. Lu Chen then said, "Still at the Fourth Layer of the Great Emperor Realm, I haven't made a breakthrough."

Hearing Lu Chen's reply, Empress Tianhong felt a trace of joy inside. Although she still couldn't shake off Lu Chen's control, as long as she could strengthen her power faster than Lu Chen, there was still hope.

Maybe one day she would become stronger than Lu Chen, strong enough to break the contract between them willingly.

By then, she would return all the humiliation Lu Chen had brought her.

As for how to return it, she didn't need to think that far right now.

At that moment, Lu Chen came to sit beside Empress Tianhong, his body closely against Empress Tianhong's waist. Seeing Lu Chen approaching voluntarily, Empress Tianhong's eyebrows furrowed and she unconsciously shifted to the side a bit.

Lu Chen said, "Just after the breakthrough, why do you seem so unfamiliar with me as your husband, you cultivate the Slaughter Path, not the Heartless Tao."

Empress Tianhong ignored Lu Chen's words and continued to calm the turbulent Power of Slaughter inside her.

Lu Chen was about to lay hands on Empress Tianhong when suddenly his hands stopped in mid-air, and he was clearly in a daze.

Empress Tianhong thought Lu Chen might forcefully attack, and she was prepared to take him on, planned to exhaust Lu Chen's clone, but found him suddenly motionless.

Although she was puzzled why Lu Chen wasn't moving abruptly, she didn't open her mouth to ask.

After a while, Lu Chen came back to his senses and, smiling at Empress Tianhong, said, "An even stronger enemy has come, do you think I'll let you out this time?"

Empress Tianhong was startled inside, an enemy had arrived?

She quickly calmed her turbulent heart and said coldly, "You won't let me out."

She still had Lu Chen's child inside her, and as long as the child was not born, Lu Chen would never let her out to fight enemies, at least that's what Empress Tianhong thought.

Previously, Lu Chen had tricked her several times, causing her to already distrust Lu Chen, a man's mouth, a deceiver's lie, each time saying he'd let her out, but always ending up bickering inside the Immortal Boat.

She no longer held any hope for this; now she only wished the child inside her belly would quickly be born.

Once the child is born, Lu Chen would no longer limit her like this.

Upon hearing Empress Tianhong's words, Lu Chen grabbed her jade hand and placed it on his thigh, looking into her eyes, he said, "As long as you can ensure your own safety, I surely will let you out."

"For me, your life safety ranks first."

Empress Tianhong let out a cold laugh, "You are just afraid something might happen to the child inside my belly."

She didn't believe Lu Chen harbored any deep feelings for her, Lu Chen harbored only desires for her; if he truly felt for her, he wouldn't fool her each time.

Lu Chen didn't deny, "I'm indeed worried something might happen to the child, but I'm equally worried about you, which doesn't conflict."

As Lu Chen's words fell, he wrapped Empress Tianhong in his arms completely and then softly said into her ear, "You and the child are both my treasures, neither can be hurt."

Hearing this, Empress Tianhong immediately raised her hand to push away Lu Chen, "I am different from those women, your words are useless with me."

After all, she was an Empress who had proven her path with slaughter, how could she be swayed by a man's sweet talk? What she valued was always just interest, emotions were a dispensable thing to her.

Lu Chen smiled faintly, didn't continue speaking, at this moment, one of his clones had already arrived at the edge of the Haifeng Star Domain.

When his clone reached the Haifeng Star Domain, Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji were already waiting in the void.

Not only Lu Chen, but both of them also had sensed another dense Power of Slaughter coming from beyond the White Rock Star Domain Group, which wasn't coming from within the Feihong Immortal Boat.

Since the other Power of Slaughter wasn't from the White Rock Star Domain Group, it must mean Shenyue Emperor had arrived.

Emperor Zi Ji and Thunderbolt Emperor were the first to go to the Haifeng Star Domain, and as soon as they arrived, they indeed found Lu Yanghua had arrived.

Lu Yanghua stood on the land of a flying palace, staring intensely at the blue barrier in front of him.

Before Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji arrived, he had already tried to damage the barrier, but his attack had no effect on it, even using the Power of Slaughter made no impact.

Lu Yanghua said coldly, "What the hell is this, why can it withstand my Power of Slaughter?"

Ever since Lu Yanghua had backstabbed Emperor Shenwu, he had become arrogant, thinking that possessed with the Power of Slaughter, he had become invincible.

Now unable to even break a barrier, it was a humiliation to him.

He thought being a Slaughter Emperor meant being like Emperor Shenwu, able to go wherever he wanted, kill whoever he wished, and nobody could stop his steps.

Yet he couldn't even break a barrier.

Just then, Lu Yanghua noticed the presence of Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji, seeing them inside the barrier, he became even angrier and was about to speak when he saw another figure appear in the distance.

Seeing it was Lu Chen, Lu Yanghua exclaimed without hesitation, "Ninth brother, you truly are surprising!"

Lu Chen laughed and said, "Surprising? What surprised you?"

Lu Yanghua said, "I'm very curious, how did you persuade those two to betray the Shenyue Dynasty?"

Lu Chen said, "Betrayal? No, no, no, they haven't betrayed the Shenyue Dynasty; the real traitor to the Dynasty is you, the one who murdered the monarch for the throne."

"They simply saw through your facade, so they chose to side with me, the proper heir of the Shenyue Dynasty."

Upon hearing this, the Great Emperors around Lu Yanghua were momentarily stunned.

Murdering the monarch for the throne?

What did they hear?

Lu Yanghua murdered the monarch for the throne?

Suddenly, seeds of doubt began to sprout in the minds of various Great Emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty; at the time of Emperor Shenwu's demise, they felt something was off.

Though Emperor Shenwu had been injured in earlier years, it wasn't to the extent of perishing so soon, plus he had rested for many years, his health surely recovered somewhat, how could he perish.

Now hearing Lu Chen's words, some Great Emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty immediately realized that Lu Yanghua was likely colluding with the Tianji Pavilion to murder Emperor Shenwu.

Chapter 1464: How Could This Happen!

Seeing Lu Chen unexpectedly speak out about his regicide and usurpation directly, Lu Yanghua's expression turned even more sullen.

He clearly sensed the fluctuation of the Dynast Qi Fortune, which indicated that some Great Emperors within the Shenyue Dynasty were swayed by Lu Chen's words.

Although some initially doubted his regicide and usurpation, they had no evidence, and with Tianji Pavilion backing him, along with him proving his path through slaughter like Emperor Shenwu, and most crucially, his cultivation of the Heaven Stealing Technique, his throne had been secured.

Now that Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji regarded Lu Chen as the legitimate heir of the Shenyue Dynasty, naturally, the other Great Emperors would have their thoughts.

Just as Lu Yanghua was about to speak, a dull voice suddenly came from behind him, "What utter nonsense!"

In the next moment, the oppressive aura of a Ninth Layer Great Emperor instantly suppressed the scene.

Following that, two gray-haired elders emerged from the vortex of space.

Seeing the arrivals, Lu Yanghua heaved a sigh of relief. With these two here, the Great Emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty dared not act recklessly.

One of the elders glanced at Lu Chen and said coldly, "When the late Emperor fell, I was right there. How could I not know if His Majesty committed regicide and usurped the throne?"

"Could it be that Prince Lu Chen thinks I was also involved in this incident?"

Hearing Emperor Ye Hun's words, the Great Emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty finally calmed their minds. With Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin, both Ninth Layer Great Emperors present, even if Lu Yanghua did commit regicide, he was the legitimate successor.

Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin are the bedrocks of the Shenyue Dynasty. Since they have recognized Lu Yanghua as the ruler of the Shenyue Dynasty, there will be no further dispute over this position.

Now, Lu Chen, Thunderbolt Emperor, and Emperor Zi Ji are deemed rebels.

Seeing Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin, these two Ninth Layer Great Emperors appear, both Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji frowned simultaneously. However, when they thought of Lu Chen's true identity as the Heavenly Emperor, the shadow on their brows vanished.

What of two Ninth Layer Great Emperors? In front of the Heavenly Emperor, any Great Emperor is as fragile as paper.

Lu Chen was not as optimistic as they were. Though he knew he could become the Heavenly Emperor in the future, at present, he was certainly no match for Ninth Layer Great Emperors. Initially thinking to take this opportunity to deal with Lu Yanghua and seize back the Sky Evolution Stone from him, it now seemed this matter had to be planned long-term.

But then again, though he had no way against Ninth Layer Great Emperors, likewise, they had no way against him.

Lu Chen said with a smile, "Whether involved or not, haven't the two of you already shown it clearly?"

Hearing this, Emperor Ye Hun flared up in anger, his face dropping instantly, "Prince Lu Chen, you have quite the sharp tongue, but now you probably have no time to worry about other matters."

"You betrayed the Shenyue Dynasty, took away the Shenyue Empress, and now you're spreading rumors here, sowing discord. Haven't you thought about what will happen next?"

After hearing Emperor Ye Hun's words, Lu Chen still wore a smile, showing no sign of panic on his face.

Seeing Lu Chen still appear calm and collected, Lu Yanghua was puzzled. The two anchors of the Shenyue Dynasty were already here, yet why could Lu Chen remain so composed?

Could it be that Lu Chen thought the formation he set up could protect him?

At this moment, Lu Chen said, "I do not know what my end will be, but I do know yours will not be good in the end."

Seeing Lu Chen's nonchalant demeanor, Emperor Ye Hun immediately bowed to Lu Yanghua, "Your Majesty, I implore Your Majesty to grant me the permission to execute the rebels!"

Lu Yanghua said indifferently, "Granted!"

As soon as Lu Yanghua finished speaking, Emperor Ye Hun's Ninth Layer aura was fully unleashed, and in the next moment, a massive gray-robed figure appeared in the cosmic void.

Seeing Emperor Ye Hun about to make a move, Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji both tensed up. However, upon seeing Lu Chen's unconcerned demeanor, they immediately calmed down and assumed a watching stance, as if it had nothing to do with them.

Looking at Lu Chen and the others acting as if nothing happened, Emperor Ye Hun frowned. He wanted to see who gave them the confidence to remain indifferent.

Immediately, Emperor Ye Hun mobilized all his Spiritual Power, and his massive Law Manifestation slowly raised its hand towards the distant blue barrier.

Xuanming Finger!!!

In the next moment, a gigantic finger shot out from Emperor Ye Hun's Law Manifestation, heading straight for the barrier created by the Immortal Spirit Umbrella.

In just an instant, the giant blue finger touched the blue barrier, but to the surprise of the Shenyue Dynasty emperors, the blue shield only rippled and didn't shatter, not even showing a crack.

Seeing this, the emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty fell into silence.

Lu Yanghua clenched his fist, his Power of Slaughter unable to help but ravage the surroundings.

How could this be!

This barrier could actually withstand the attack of a Ninth Layer Great Emperor!

How could such a formation exist in this universe?

Perhaps this universe indeed might have such a formation, but that would only exist in top-tier Holy Lands, definitely not in such a place.

Of course, there's another possibility, that there exists a top-tier power similar to Tianji Pavilion behind the Daxia Dynasty.

Thinking of this possibility made Lu Yanghua even more furious. Which power dared to oppose the Shenyue Dynasty, coming here to support Lu Chen and the Daxia Dynasty!

Seeing Emperor Ye Hun not immediately breaking the barrier protecting the Daxia Dynasty, now Emperor Xuanlin, also a Ninth Layer, no longer continued watching.

He immediately revealed his Law Manifestation, and in an instant, a massive golden giant appeared in the void.

The golden giant held a large blade in its hand, and Emperor Xuanlin, with no hesitation, controlled the Law Manifestation to swing the long blade.

Nine Nether Xuanming Blade!!!

With a single swing, the dense Power of Death engulfed the Blade Qi, rushing towards the blue barrier.

However, the result once again defied the expectations of the Shenyue Dynasty emperors.

The Blade Qi and Power of Death, upon touching the barrier created by the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, merely caused a ripple before quickly dissipating.

Seeing this, Emperor Ye Hun refused to yield, quickly attacking again with another finger, but the result remained the same as before.

Likewise, after Emperor Ye Hun's move, Emperor Xuanlin also chose to strike again, and they attacked the same spot.

Following this, the two Ninth Layer Great Emperors attacked alternately, but no matter how they attacked, the blue barrier showed no cracks.

Now people finally understood why Lu Chen and the others were so fearless. The Shenyue Dynasty couldn't even break this formation barrier, let alone eliminate Lu Chen.

Chapter 1465: Lu Chen, let's see how much longer you can hold on!

After a series of continuous attacks, Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin found no cracks in the barrier. Reluctantly, they stopped their assault.

Both of them turned their heads towards Lu Yanghua. At this moment, Lu Yanghua wore a dark expression, remaining silent, with his eyes glaring intensely at the barrier.

Emperor Ye Hun said helplessly, "Your Majesty, we've already tried our best."

Emperor Ye Hun even worried that Lu Yanghua might think they, two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm, were merely putting on an act for him.

Two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm couldn't breach a formation from an empire at the universe's edge? No one would believe that if it spread.

But the reality was right before their eyes.

After an unknown period, Lu Yanghua finally said coldly, "So this is what you rely on, no wonder you act so fearlessly."

Lu Chen smiled and asked, "So what do you plan to do now?"

"Traveling so far, if you can't even break through a single barrier, you must feel very unwilling inside."

Hearing Lu Chen's words, the Power of Slaughter surged once again within Lu Yanghua, but he quickly calmed down. For now, he indeed had no means against Lu Chen.

But having no means now doesn't mean having no means in the future; he had the backing of Tianji Pavilion, and Tianji Pavilion would definitely have a way to break this formation.

Moreover, if the formation is so sturdy, it means immense spiritual power is required to maintain it.

The Great Sum Dynasty is just an empire at the universe's edge, even if they exhaust all the spiritual power within their Star Domain, they might not be able to sustain this formation for long.

Seeing that Lu Chen showed no intention of going out to fight, Emperor Zi Ji and Thunderbolt Emperor felt puzzled. Their Majesty was at least a Heavenly Emperor; he wouldn't fear two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm, would he? Why did he seem entirely uninterested in making a move?

Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji exchanged glances; then Thunderbolt Emperor asked, "Your Majesty, are we not going to engage them?"

Lu Chen said lightly, "No need."

Hearing this, Thunderbolt Emperor and Emperor Zi Ji thought perhaps it was because Lu Chen wanted to give the emperors from the Shenyue Dynasty a chance to see how they would choose in the end, so he decided not to intervene.

If the Heavenly Emperor really made a move, it would undoubtedly unleash terrifying destructive power, so he wouldn't act lightly.

Lu Chen didn't care what the others thought; he glanced again at Lu Yanghua and the two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm, then said, "You can keep trying to break my formation; I won't be accompanying you."

With those words, Lu Chen's body disappeared on the spot. Seeing Lu Chen leave, the anger within Lu Yanghua surged once again.

He had come all this way here, but couldn't even touch the hem of his garment. The more he thought about it, the angrier he became, and then Lu Yanghua said to Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin, "Continue attacking, I refuse to believe that this formation can be sustained indefinitely!"

Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin exchanged a glance, then in unison, said, "Yes, Your Majesty!"

The two of them continued their joint attack on the blue barrier created by the Immortal Spirit Umbrella.

Of course, no matter how they attacked, the end result was the same.

At this moment, inside the Feihong Immortal Boat, Empress Tianhong had sensed what was happening outside, and she said coldly to Lu Chen, who was groping her, "This is what you meant by releasing me?"

Lu Chen said, "I didn't expect there would be two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm. I know you're formidable, but facing two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer of Realm, you surely couldn't still be their match, right?"

Empress Tianhong fell silent.

If it were one Great Emperor of the Ninth Layer of Realm, she would still have the strength to fight, but if two Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer joined forces, dealing with them would indeed be difficult, not to mention there were also some Great Emperors of the Eighth Layer Realm outside the barrier.

Even though she was the Slaughter Emperor, facing an assault from so many high-realm Great Emperors, she might still be defeated.

Unless her realm could be elevated to the Fifth Layer Realm, with the Emperor Realm of Slaughter Proves Tao enhanced to the Fifth Layer Realm, her power would undergo

an earth-shattering change once again, and by then, few Great Emperors in the universe would be her match.

But wanting to break through to the Great Emperor Fifth Layer is exceedingly difficult; even if she were to slaughter Lu Chen's Life Seed every day, it would likely take thousands of years.

The higher the realm at the Great Emperor level, the harder the breakthrough, and Empress Tianhong had noticeably felt the bottleneck of her realm, but there was another way to expedite her breakthrough.

That was the Emperor's dynastic Qi Fortune; if the Qi Fortune of the Great Sum Dynasty continued to increase, perhaps with the blessing of the empire's Qi Fortune, the bottleneck in her realm would soon loosen.

To augment the Qi Fortune of the Great Sum Dynasty, she needed to undertake actions beneficial to the dynasty, such as helping the dynasty expand.

Thinking of this, Empress Tianhong glanced out of the corner of her eye at Lu Chen, who was stealthily attacking her, realizing she had inevitably boarded this man's pirate ship.

Upon contemplating this, Empress Tianhong felt a bit depressed; her past self roamed freely, slaughtering all around the Outer Domain, but never had she been so thoroughly subdued by a man.

Oh well, it seemed to be her great tribulation in this lifetime.

Having thought that, Empress Tianhong no longer paid any mind to Lu Chen's hands.

A month flew by in the blink of an eye. Lu Chen was busy enhancing the cultivation state of his wives and concubines, and the Shenyue Army's attack on the Immortal Spirit Umbrella's barrier never ceased, but after a month, the barrier created by the Immortal Spirit Umbrella was as stable as it was at the beginning.

Even if it was just a low-tier immortal artifact, it was an unsolvable existence in the universe, which made Lu Chen realize that there might be an even larger world beyond this universe, and this Immortal Spirit Umbrella was from that world.

In this light, the cross-border stone rewarded by the system was meant to be used when leaving this universe.

Outside the White Rock Star Domain Group.

Lu Yanghua stood on the Heavenly Palace, his gaze fixed intently on the Immortal Spirit Umbrella's barrier.

Beside Lu Yanghua were three Great Emperors from Tianji Pavilion, each in Taoist robes.

Lu Yanghua said coldly, "Even Tianji Pavilion can't solve this?"

One Great Emperor spoke helplessly, "We've exhausted all methods but still can't break the blue barrier."

Another Great Emperor said, "I've informed the Tower Master of what transpired here, and he might send a more powerful Great Emperor."

Upon hearing this, Lu Yanghua's mood slightly improved. If these people couldn't solve the formation, at least the experts from Tianji Pavilion might.

If even the experts from Tianji Pavilion couldn't, then at least the Tower Master should be able to break this barrier. It's impossible that there exists a formation in this universe that even the Tower Master of Tianji Pavilion can't break.

Tianji Pavilion is most adept at countering formations because they can deduce methods to break them.

Gazing at the distant pale-blue barrier, a flicker of murderous intent flashed in Lu Yanghua's eyes, "Lu Chen, let's see how long you can hold out!" As Lu Yanghua's words fell, a spatial ripple emerged beside him, and a Great Emperor of the Ninth Layer of Realm from Tianji Pavilion appeared beside Lu Yanghua, clad in a Taoist robe.

Chapter 1466: Why! Why does the Immortal Artifact Appear!

Seeing that the person arriving was the Great Emperor of Tianji Pavilion, Lu Yanghua felt a stir in his heart, finally someone capable of breaking the formation had arrived.

However, the next moment, the Great Emperor of the Ninth Layer poured cold water on Lu Yanghua, he spoke, "Shenyue Emperor, our Tower Master says the Daxia Dynasty harbors an Otherworldly Object, and with your current strength, you cannot kill Lu Chen."

Hearing this, Lu Yanghua was stunned.

Otherworldly Object?

Does that mean this formation was created by an Otherworldly Object?

How is that possible?

How did Lu Chen manage to acquire an Otherworldly Object?

Lu Yanghua returned to his senses and asked unwillingly, "I can't handle this, could it be that Tianji Pavilion also has no solution?"

"Surely your Tower Master can break it?"

The Great Emperor of the Ninth Layer said, "Our Tower Master hasn't thought of a good solution for now; he is seeking a way to break it."

"He asked me to tell you that once he finds a way to break it, he will personally go to Daxia Dynasty to destroy the Otherworldly Object."

Lu Yanghua fell silent.

His heart burned with anger, how could Lu Chen hog all the good fortune?

He was on the verge of clearing out all the Imperial Family Members and taking complete control of the Shenyue Dynasty's Qi Fortune, but Lu Chen managed to obtain an Otherworldly Object?

Why does he get to acquire an Otherworldly Object!

Lu Yanghua was silent for a moment, and finally said, "Return to the Empire!"

With that, Lu Yanghua manipulated the Heavenly Palace, leaving without looking back.

Since the Tower Master of Tianji Pavilion has already spoken to help him, there's no point in staying here; he couldn't break the Barrier, so staying longer would be a waste of time. It would be better to destroy more Empires and use Heaven Stealing Technique to enhance his own strength.

After Lu Yanghua left, the army of Shenyue Dynasty also gradually withdrew; at this moment, Emperor Ye Hun and Emperor Xuanlin glanced toward the direction the Heavenly Palace departed, then turned to look at the blue Barrier in front of them.

Their brows knitted tightly, faces incomparably serious, they seemed troubled.

Emperor Ye Hun muttered to himself, "Never thought such a change would occur."

Emperor Xuanlin also sighed slightly, "Hope it doesn't affect Your Majesty's plan."

The two then ceased their attacks on the Barrier of the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, and also returned to Shenyue Dynasty.

Once the army of Shenyue Dynasty retreated, Lu Chen appeared again at the edge of the White Rock Star Domain Group, gazing toward the direction of Shenyue Dynasty.

Lu Chen's lips slightly curved, now it's a matter of whether he can break through to the Great Emperor Ninth Layer first, or if Lu Yanghua will.

As long as he breaks through to the Great Emperor Ninth Layer, with the power he possesses, the Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer in this universe would not be a match for him; then taking back the Sky Evolution Stone from Lu Yanghua wouldn't be too difficult.

Meanwhile.

Tianji Pavilion, Starry Sky Hall.

In front of Xuan Tian, the events happening in White Rock Star Domain Group at this moment were projected; seeing the Immortal Spirit Umbrella enveloping the entire Daxia Dynasty, Xuan Tian's face was extremely unsightly.

Xuan Tian muttered to himself, "Why, why would an Immortal Artifact appear!"

"Obviously when he came, he had nothing, how did an Immortal Artifact suddenly appear?"

Xuan Tian's expression twisted, unable to accept the appearance of the Immortal Spirit Umbrella.

Previously, he had never discovered the existence of the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, nor felt any aura of an Immortal Artifact; this Immortal Artifact seemed to have suddenly appeared in this universe.

The entire universe was under his control; an Immortal Artifact shouldn't appear in this universe.

Xuan Tian suddenly thought of a person, "Could it be she did this?"

"No, even if she retains her initial memories, she couldn't possibly obtain an Immortal Artifact."

Xuan Tian thought of the Heavenly Mystery Maiden, but thinking again, she was only adept at deducing the future, even if she retained memories from a past life, she couldn't leave this universe, so it's even less likely she brought the Immortal Artifact.

If it's not the Heavenly Mystery Maiden and Lu Chen didn't bring it in initially, then what's the deal with this Immortal Artifact?

Xuan Tian tried to calm his emotions, "No, this Immortal Artifact must be destroyed somehow; otherwise, he might once again overcome the Era Tribulation, and if he regains all his memories, my Main Body will be finished."

Thinking of this, Xuan Tian fell into deep thought, pondering how to destroy the Immortal Spirit Umbrella.

He could feel the Immortal Spirit Umbrella was merely a Low-Tier Immortal Artifact, but even if it's Low-Tier, destroying it wouldn't be easy.

Xuan Tian contemplated for a long time, yet didn't find a good way to destroy the Immortal Spirit Umbrella.

The Immortal Spirit Umbrella seemed like an indigestible thing, if forcefully destroyed, it might obliterate the whole universe, and if the universe is destroyed, he'd perish too.

He couldn't sacrifice himself for destroying an Immortal Artifact.

Since the Immortal Spirit Umbrella couldn't be destroyed, only one plan remained, to expel it from this universe.

Thinking of this, Xuan Tian felt even heavier, the entire Daxia Dynasty was under the protection of the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, expelling it would mean expelling Daxia Dynasty from the universe.

If so, countless eras of planning would be for naught.

At this moment, black and white aura rampaged within Starry Sky Hall on Xuan Tian's body, his mood became agitated again, not willing to give up billion-year scheming due to a Low-Tier Immortal Artifact.

"No, can't give up, there should be other ways!"

"If I could lure Lu Chen out of the Immortal Artifact's protection range, then immediately expel the Immortal Artifact from the universe, my plan should proceed..."

Mumbling to here, Xuan Tian fell into contemplation again; luring Lu Chen out from the Immortal Artifact's protection wasn't a major problem, the issue was the Lu Chen lured out might not be the Main Body.

Xuan Tian intended to plan thoroughly, not allowing billion-year schemes to be ruined.

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The news of Shenyue Dynasty's failed campaign against Daxia Dynasty quickly spread across the entire universe.

When this news reached those top-tier Holy Lands, they couldn't believe it was true, and various forces hurriedly dispatched numerous spies to investigate, ultimately confirming the surprising truth, shocking the Great Emperors throughout the universe.

Daxia Dynasty was merely a newly-established Empire in the universe's peripheral region, while Shenyue Dynasty was supported by several Great Emperors of the Ninth Layer.

How could such a powerful Shenyue Dynasty fail to destroy a tiny Daxia Dynasty; what was going on with this Daxia Dynasty?

As more information circulated, people began to understand why Shenyue Dynasty's campaign failed.

All of a sudden, all top-tier forces became interested in Daxia Dynasty's protective formation.

Chapter 1467: Daxia Dynasty's External Expansion

A formation that can withstand all attacks from two Ninth Layer Great Emperors can certainly withstand some attacks from High Tier Heavenly Demons.

Most importantly, this formation might even help them survive the Era Tribulation.

So far, throughout the entire universe, even the Array Masters from those top Holy Lands cannot create a formation that can completely withstand the Ninth Layer Great Emperors.

The formations from those top Holy Lands can at most hold off for a period, but after some time, their formations will still encounter various problems.

However, the formation of the Daxia Dynasty is different. According to intelligence from various sources, when two Ninth Layer Great Emperors from the Shenyue Dynasty attacked the barrier of the Daxia Dynasty, they at most caused some ripples, without leaving any gaps.

The sturdiness of this formation is evident.

In order to obtain this formation from the Daxia Dynasty, various factions have sent emissaries to the Daxia Dynasty, hoping to exchange for their formation.

However, none of the emissaries sent by the factions to the Daxia Dynasty were able to enter the Daxia Dynasty, and Lu Chen couldn't be bothered to deal with them.

The so-called formation of the Daxia Dynasty was created by the Immortal Spirit Umbrella. To pass this formation onto them would mean giving them the Immortal Spirit Umbrella. Lu Chen is not a fool, so it's impossible for him to give away the Immortal Spirit Umbrella, so he completely ignores those factions that want the formation protecting the Daxia Dynasty.

Yunhua Palace.

Palace Master Hall.

The Life-saving Empress sat on the throne made of spirit crystals, watching the scenes played out in the hall, muttering to herself, "Is this formation really that powerful? Even two Ninth Layer Great Emperors can't break it open..."

The Life-saving Empress initially thought of sending her clone to the Daxia Dynasty to bring out Lie Hongyun, who was now the most suitable for her as a Seizing Body. However, after her clone reached the Daxia Dynasty, like Emperor Yanyue, she couldn't break that barrier.

Helpless, she had to let the clone return. Just at this time, she heard about the Shenyue Dynasty's plans to attack the Daxia Dynasty, so her clone didn't immediately return to Yunhua Palace. Instead, it waited on the inevitable path of the Shenyue Army, wanting to see if the army could break that formation.

The result was that not only could the Shenyue Army not break through the formation, but even the two Ninth Layer Great Emperors from the Shenyue Dynasty working together had no effect on the formation.

At this moment, the Life-saving Empress lay entirely on the Ice Crystal Throne, one hand tapping on the ice crystal armrest, as if contemplating something.

If things continued like this, her intended Seizing Body would likely be wasted, perhaps it already has been wasted.

But even if it has been wasted, she couldn't just let this matter slide. As a Great Emperor, she also has the dignity of a Great Emperor, and she couldn't swallow this anger in her heart.

However, the immediate problem was that even the two Ninth Layer Great Emperors of the Shenyue Dynasty couldn't break open the barrier of the Daxia Dynasty, so even if her main body went there, it would also be unable to break that barrier, let alone eliminate the villain who robbed her of her Seizing Body.

At this moment, a thought struck the Life-saving Empress. Behind the Shenyue Dynasty was the Tianji Pavilion, and the Tianji Pavilion would surely have a way to break that barrier.

She could ally with the Shenyue Dynasty. Thinking of this, the Life-saving Empress immediately sent out a clone, planning to go to the Shenyue Dynasty to form an alliance.

Daxia Dynasty.

Tianchen World, underground cultivation room.

Lu Chen's main body sat at the center of the Underground Palace, feeling the Qi Fortune of the entire Daxia Dynasty. At this moment, he couldn't help but sigh slightly. He never expected that the Daxia Dynasty would already possess such a rich Qi Fortune, even thicker than the Qi Fortune of the Shenyue Dynasty, yet the main body still couldn't break through.

Indeed, it is increasingly hard to break through as one advances. It seems that continuous expansion is necessary.

Thinking of this, Lu Chen immediately mobilized his clone, having it gather the newly integrated War Dragon Army, leading them to expand outwards.

To break through to the Heavenly Emperor Realm, besides maintaining dual cultivation with his wives and concubines, he must also quickly accumulate more Dynast Qi Fortune. Of course, Lu Chen could also rely on dual cultivation to reach the Heavenly Emperor Realm without relying on the Dynast Qi Fortune, but this would considerably slow down the cultivation speed.

There are about ten thousand years left, or maybe even less, before facing the Era Tribulation. Breaking through to the Heavenly Emperor Realm early would give him more confidence to resist the Era Tribulation. Beyond the White Rock Star Domain Group, inward, there no longer lies the universe's fringe but adjoins a great cosmic structure called the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group.

Within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group, there are over a hundred Star Domain Groups similar in size to the White Rock Star Domain Group, with over a hundred Super Dynasties inside.

When the Shenyue Dynasty's army entered the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group, they only conquered a single Star Domain Group to pave the way, not declaring war on all the Dynasties within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group.

Shenyue Dynasty is formidable, but after all, Emperor Shenwu is no longer around, and Lu Yanghua has just broken through to become a Great Emperor. No matter how powerful the Shenyue Dynasty is, they can't simultaneously engage so many Dynasties in battle.

Lu Chen likewise wouldn't attack all these Dynasties at once. He would start with the Dynasties in the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group close to the White Rock Star Domain Group, then gradually devour all the Dynasties within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group.

Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group, East View Dynasty.

In the resplendent grand hall, a shirtless man sat on the Dragon Throne of the hall, with a beautiful fairy in his left arm and a gorgeous beauty in his right. Meanwhile, in front of him, a breathtakingly beautiful woman was pouring wine.

Inside the grand hall, the music and dance were heavenly, and smoke curled, creating a scene of celestial bliss.

After taking a sip of wine fed to him by a maid, the East View Emperor couldn't help but sigh. Even if life was more enjoyable now, his mood couldn't lift.

Nowadays, the universe is becoming increasingly chaotic, with wars erupting and Heavenly Demons relentlessly emerging. Moreover, as time goes on, the number of Heavenly Demons is increasing, becoming stronger, and more troublesome to handle.

Just within this period, the East View Dynasty has encountered over a hundred Heavenly Demons. Fortunately, their strength isn't too significant.

But the East View Emperor understands that it's all temporary; each time the Heavenly Demons appear, they're stronger than the last.

Initially, he didn't have to personally deal with some of the Heavenly Demons, but the ones appearing recently are beyond the resolve of the Quasi-Emperors without his intervention.

The East View Emperor originally thought to enjoy life before the arrival of the Era Tribulation, but looking at the current situation, either his Dynasty would be destroyed by other Dynasties, or it would be obliterated by the Heavenly Demons before the Era Tribulation even arrived.

Thinking of these, the East View Emperor lost all interest in the enchanting company around him. He raised his wine cup once more and drained the cup in one go.

At this time, suddenly, a Quasi-Emperor rushed into the grand hall, "Your Majesty, something terrible has happened!"

Chapter 1468 - Wait, What Did This Person Just Say?

Upon hearing someone say that things have taken a turn for the worse, the East View Emperor's complexion grew even grimmer. The first thought that came to his mind was that another quasi-emperor couldn't solve the Heavenly Demon problem somewhere.

The East View Emperor rubbed his forehead gently, then released his Divine Sense to probe the entire dynasty, only to find that no Heavenly Demon seemed to have appeared in the East View Dynasty.

He thought to himself, could it be that Heavenly Demons from other dynasties are coming to the East View Dynasty, but haven't yet arrived in the star domain ruled by the East View Dynasty?

Thinking of this, the East View Emperor asked, "What's going on?"

The quasi-emperor who rushed into the hall quickly said, "A large amount of strange Immortal Boats have appeared in the Huihai Star Domain!"

The East View Emperor was taken aback upon hearing this.

The Huihai Star Domain is on the outskirts of the East View Dynasty, meaning at its border. The appearance of numerous Immortal Boats on the border signifies someone's intention to attack the East View Dynasty.

However, initially, there was absolutely no news. Although he spent most of his time indulging, he was always attentive to the movements of neighboring dynasties, especially those within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group.

He hadn't heard of any dynasty preparing for war; where did these Immortal Boats come from?

Suddenly a possibility struck him, and his face turned ashen.

"Could it be the Shenyue Dynasty's army has arrived!"

Before the quasi-emperor could speak, another emperor's figure suddenly appeared in the hall. This emperor wore a gray long robe, his hair grizzling, yet his body appeared agile and powerful.

"Unlikely. Back then, the Shenyue Dynasty attacked the dynasties within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group just to pave a path."

"Moreover, if it truly were the Shenyue Dynasty's army, they wouldn't appear in the Huihai Star Domain."
Upon hearing Emperor Zilang's words, the East View Emperor felt there was some reason; the Shenyue Dynasty's army had already retreated long ago.

The Shenyue Dynasty is located in the Central Star Domain, and if they were indeed to attack the East View Dynasty, they shouldn't appear in the direction of the Huihai Star Domain.

Beyond the Huihai Star Domain lies the White Rock Star Domain Group.

If the Shenyue Dynasty were to attack the East View Dynasty, the others in the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group would first face their ill fate, as they are positioned ahead of the East View Dynasty.

Thinking this through, the East View Emperor breathed a slight sigh of relief. As long as it wasn't the Shenyue Dynasty's army, the issues wouldn't be significant.

But on further thought, neither a dynasty within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group nor the Shenyue Dynasty's army is attacking; who's threatening the East View Dynasty?

It seems the entire White Rock Star Domain Group has already been occupied by the Daxia Dynasty. The Immortal Boats coming from that direction are most likely from the Daxia Dynasty, aren't they?

The Daxia Dynasty was only recently besieged by the Shenyue Dynasty's army, shrinking back within that blue Barrier. The strength of that Barrier is known throughout the cosmos's dynasties.

How can the Daxia Dynasty now actively dispatch troops outside? The East View Emperor contemplated for a moment, then looked at Emperor Zilang in the hall, "Could it possibly be Immortal Boats from the Daxia Dynasty?"

Emperor Zilang replied, "That can only be determined by observation. Although the Daxia Dynasty is widely known, we also know they have a robust Formation. As for their strength and specifics, we remain clueless."

Without delay, the East View Emperor stood up and ordered, "Assemble our entire dynastic army immediately, head to the Huihai Star Domain, and repel the invading enemies!"

No matter if it's the Daxia Dynasty, or whatever dynasty's Immortal Boats, as long as it isn't the Shenyue Dynasty's army, the East View Emperor will not easily abandon the East View Dynasty.

Though the dynastic Qi Fortune might be dispensable in terms of strength, he isn't counting on surviving the Era Tribulation anyway.

But he intends to enjoy the remaining joyous times in the East View Dynasty and won't let other dynasties ruin his place of pleasure.

Quickly, the East View Dynasty gathered over a hundred Immortal Boats rushing towards the Huihai Star Domain. Upon the East View Emperor's arrival, those mysterious Immortal Boats halted in the void outside Huihai, aligned in a row, motionless.

Seeing those starships emitting silvery metallic sheen, the four emperors of the East View Dynasty felt utterly bewildered. They had never witnessed such Immortal Boats.

At this moment, Emperor Zilang commented, "Strange, how does this Immortal Boat not resemble one, nor does it seem driven by Spiritual Power; can it move?"

The East View Emperor then unleashed his Divine Sense, intending to probe about the War Dragon Army's fleet, but instantly sensed dozens of powerful presences.

The East View Emperor's face changed dramatically. He promptly withdrew his Divine Sense. Before he fully released his Divine Thought, he had already sensed at least ten emperors. If his Divine Thought swept across the entire Immortal Boat fleet, he had no idea how many greater beings might be hidden within.

Seeing the East View Emperor's complexion shift drastically, an emperor beside him curiously asked, "Your Majesty, what did you perceive?"

This particular emperor wouldn't dare to rashly use Divine Sense to probe those peculiar Immortal Boats then.

The East View Emperor didn't respond immediately, keeping his focus firmly fixed on those starships ahead.

At this moment, an emperor from the War Dragon Army emerged from within a starship, flying forward into the void in front of the East View Dynasty's Immortal Boat fleet, then transmitted his voice aloud, "Declare the Daxia Dynasty Heavenly Emperor's holy decree, to prevent unnecessary bloodshed, East View Dynasty must surrender within three days, or the Daxia Dynasty's War Dragon Army shall raze the East View Dynasty!"

Upon hearing this, the three emperors beside the East View Emperor's face instantly paled.

These odd Immortal Boats truly belong to the Daxia Dynasty?

Wait a minute, what did this person just say?

Everyone quickly realized a crucial keyword.

"Heavenly Emperor?"

The ruler of the Daxia Dynasty is The Heavenly Emperor?

How... How could this be possible? Has someone crossed that threshold in this cosmos?

If someone had indeed crossed that threshold, there's no way there would've been absolute silence; they should have felt the Heavenly Emperor's pressure ages ago.

But thinking further, if the ruler of the Daxia Dynasty wasn't the Heavenly Emperor, the Heavenly Dao wouldn't tolerate one for posing as the Heavenly Emperor.

Now, the other side dares to declare it openly; could it be that a Heavenly Emperor truly exists within the Daxia Dynasty?

The four emperors of East View exchanged glances, with the East View Emperor muttering softly under his breath, "No... Impossible..."

"If a Heavenly Emperor truly exists, how could the Shenyue Dynasty's army retreat safely?"

The East View Emperor grasped a pivotal point: A Great Emperor's name cannot be insulted, and cultivators in a lower realm who utter a Great Emperor's name might be probed by the Great Emperor's Divine Sense and eventually eradicated.

Even a Great Emperor is so domineering, much less a Heavenly Emperor; the Shenyue Dynasty even dispatched military force against the Daxia Dynasty, could the Heavenly Emperor have truly tolerated this?

Chapter 1469: Fortunately, they surrendered quite quickly earlier

In the eyes of the East View Emperor, if the Daxia Dynasty truly had a Heavenly Emperor, then not a single one of the Shenyue Dynasty's army would return.

Not to mention the army of the Shenyue Dynasty, even the two Great Emperors of the Nin Layers of Realm from the Shenyue Dynasty would fall in the Daxia Dynasty.

Upon hearing the East View Emperor's words, Emperor Zilang remarked from the side, "Could it be an emperor from the previous era?"

As soon as these words were uttered, both the East View Emperor and the other two emperors were stunned, especially the East View Emperor who had been saying it was impossible, his gaze became dazed.

If it were a Great Emperor that survived from the previous era, the other side would certainly be suppressed by this era's Heavenly Dao, their power would diminish, but a Heavenly Emperor is always a Heavenly Emperor, and they would eventually find a way to recover their strength. If the Daxia Dynasty truly had a Heavenly Emperor who survived from the previous era, the other side's strength is likely not fully recovered, which is why they haven't acted against the Shenyue Dynasty's army.

Now that the Daxia Dynasty is actively deploying its forces for expansion, it probably indicates the Heavenly Emperor from the Daxia Dynasty is recovering strength and no longer plans to continue concealing.

Thinking of this possibility, the people of the East View Dynasty gasped.

A Heavenly Emperor is always a Heavenly Emperor, regardless of whether the other's is from this era or not, a Heavenly Emperor suppresses Great Emperors absolutely, if a Heavenly Emperor fully recovers their strength, the entire universe could be under that Heavenly Emperor's control.

At this time, the four emperors of the East View Dynasty exchanged glances without saying anything further.

Though this is currently just a conjecture, since the other party dares to bear the title of Heavenly Emperor and isn't afraid of the Heavenly Dao's punishment, it really might be possible.

After an indeterminable amount of time, an emperor beside the East View Emperor asked, "If the Daxia Dynasty truly has a Heavenly Emperor, what should we do?"

Even if a Heavenly Emperor does exist, it's likely that the Heavenly Emperor's power hasn't fully recovered, and if they resist now, perhaps it wouldn't be impossible to counter.

But...

If they resist now, should the Heavenly Emperor recover their power, the East View Dynasty would likely meet a tragic fate.

The East View Emperor did not immediately reply; he silently gazed at the unusual Immortal Boat belonging to the Daxia Dynasty outside in the void, recalling the powerful auras he sensed earlier, and ultimately sighed helplessly.

He had no intention of combating the Era Tribulation, wishing only to enjoy the last of his time within his dynasty, yet there was still someone causing trouble.

"So be it, my power may just decline, but then I can visit the Central Star Domain," he said.

Speaking of this, the East View Emperor swiftly transmitted his voice to the void, saying, "The East View Dynasty is willing to surrender to the Daxia Dynasty; I plead for the Heavenly Emperor to spare the people of the East View Dynasty and avoid unnecessary slaughter."

Lu Chen's clone, seated in the Starship, responded faintly using the Power of Slaughter, "Yes!"

When the sound waves, imbued with the Power of Slaughter, swept over the East View Emperor and others, their eyes immediately showed a hint of shock.

Is this the Power of Slaughter?

The Heavenly Emperor of the Daxia Dynasty actually proves Tao through slaughter?

Oh heavens!

Fortunately, they surrendered swiftly a moment ago.

Even if the leader of the Daxia Dynasty is not a Heavenly Emperor, even if the Heavenly Emperor's strength isn't restored, simply by proving Tao through slaughter, the current East View Dynasty couldn't cope.

At this very moment, the four emperors from the East View Dynasty felt relieved, but soon they pondered a question.

A Great Emperor who proves Tao through slaughter attacking another dynasty, who would actively urge the other dynasty to surrender, and even promise not to massacre the people of the assaulted dynasty?

Is this possible?

But their path is to prove Tao through slaughter!

When the army of the Shenyue Dynasty headed to the Daxia Dynasty, they killed all along the way, accepting no dynasty's surrender, even those who surrendered faced dire consequences.

Thinking about these, the faces of the East View Emperor and others turned pale; they now suspected the Daxia Dynasty was deceiving them into surrendering, only for its army to enter the East View Dynasty to begin a massacre once surrender occurs.

While everyone contemplated this, another emperor from the War Dragon Army arrived before them, "Since you chose to surrender, go prepare for the surrender ceremony and transfer all the Dynast Qi Fortune to the Daxia Dynasty."

Upon hearing this, the East View Emperor was momentarily stunned, a surrender ceremony and a complete transfer of Dynast Qi Fortune to the Daxia Dynasty?

Typically, there are two ways to transfer Dynast Qi Fortune: one is to like the Shenyue Dynasty, directly flatten a dynasty, but this approach has a significant downside.

If they choose to directly flatten a dynasty, with the continued death of the dynasty's people, the dynasty's Qi Fortune will weaken, and when the dynasty is destroyed, the Qi Fortune will be severely diminished.

Thus, some dynasties employ coercion and enticement to indirectly control a dynasty first, then let the dynasty willingly surrender, thereby obtaining a more complete Dynast Qi Fortune.

However, a Slaughter Emperor's main objective often is not Dynast Qi Fortune but to create more slaughter, like Emperor Shenwu when he was alive; he fought battles everywhere, and never accepted another dynasty's surrender.

Now, the War Dragon Army Emperor speaks of preparing a surrender ceremony and complete Dynast Qi Fortune, suggesting the leader of the Daxia Dynasty does not wish to initiate slaughter in the East View Dynasty.

Yet...

A Slaughter Emperor, who prioritizes Dynast Qi Fortune over widespread slaughter, is this possible?

Recovering his senses, the East View Emperor cautiously asked, "Isn't the Heavenly Emperor about proving Tao through slaughter?"

Hearing this question, the War Dragon Army Emperor understood what the East View Emperor was thinking, and he explained, "Our Majesty proves Tao through slaughter, but his cultivation method is different; he won't create slaughter without reason. Rest assured, he wants only Dynast Qi Fortune."

"For our Daxia Dynasty, the more people we absorb, the richer the Dynast Qi Fortune becomes."

This...

These words from the War Dragon Army Emperor completely overturned the East View Emperor's perception of Slaughter Emperors, he thought all Slaughter Emperors were just maniacs who knew only to kill, never expecting to encounter one that values Dynast Qi Fortune more.

This is rather peculiar.

However, judging by the other's demeanor, they likely weren't lying, considering the sheer number of emperors they have; if they truly wanted to create slaughter and massacre the East View Dynasty's people, they would have rushed in without delay, not waiting.

Thinking about this, the East View Emperor hurriedly said, "Alright, alright, I'll go prepare the surrender ceremony now."

As soon as he finished speaking, the East View Emperor left one emperor to handle the handover, while the rest hurried back to the Emperor Star to prepare for the surrender ceremony.

As long as the East View Dynasty's Star Domain can swiftly come under the control of the Daxia Dynasty, then even a Great Emperor who proves Tao through slaughter couldn't indiscriminately massacre the people of the East View Dynasty.

Chapter 1470: If They Say There's a Heavenly Emperor, Is There Really a Heavenly Emperor?

The news of the East View Dynasty surrendering to the Daxia Dynasty spread across the entire Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group in less than a month.

Upon hearing this news, the empires within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group initially didn't believe it.

The Daxia Dynasty was not long ago besieged inside that blue turtle shell by the army of the Shenyue Dynasty, and how long ago did the Shenyue Dynasty's army leave? Now Daxia dares to send troops for external expansion?

Is this possible?

Aren't they afraid of the Shenyue Dynasty's army making a comeback?

However, soon the major empires learned from spies they had sent out that the news was true.

Upon confirming the news was genuine, people found it even more unbelievable. What exactly gave the Daxia Dynasty the courage to dare expand into the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group?

Within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group lies several Super Dynasties, and these Super Dynasties have at least ten Great Emperors each, with some even having Nin Layers of Realm Great Emperors.

After hearing that the Daxia Dynasty had conquered the East View Dynasty, the empires within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group reacted differently. Those empires close to the East View Dynasty quickly gathered their armies and dispatched them to key star domains, planning to resist the Daxia Dynasty's invasion.

Meanwhile, some empires, even after hearing about the Daxia Dynasty capturing the East View Dynasty, still didn't take the Daxia Dynasty seriously.

The East View Dynasty could only be considered a low-level dynasty within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group, with only four Great Emperors, none of whom exceeded the Fifth Layer Realm.

Such a dynasty being defeated by the Daxia Dynasty is quite normal, and as the Daxia Dynasty's army continues to delve deeper into the Central Star Domain, the empires they encounter will be stronger.

If the Daxia Dynasty continues to expand outward, sooner or later, they will hit a snag.

Tianlu Dynasty.

The Tianlu Emperor sat on the Dragon Throne, gazing at the projection in the grand hall, seeing countless Immortal Boats within the hall, the Tianlu Emperor chuckled.

At this moment, the Tianlu Emperor spoke, "Just a mere low-level dynasty frightened them."

At this moment, several Great Emperors stood in the grand hall. Upon learning of the Daxia Dynasty annexing the East View Dynasty, they rushed to the hall immediately.

One of the Great Emperors in the hall then said, "Your Majesty, I heard the Daxia Dynasty's Formation is quite stable, why don't we take this opportunity to attack the Daxia Dynasty and capture that Formation?"

The Tianlu Emperor spoke indifferently, "You did say that Formation is very stable, even the Shenyue Dynasty's two Nin Layers of Realm Great Emperors couldn't break it, and you still want to capture it?"

"Why don't you tell me how you plan to capture it?"

The Great Emperor immediately said, "Although the Formation is sturdy, I heard that the Daxia Dynasty's Emperor has already come out of the Formation. During the conquest of the East View Dynasty, the Emperor was present." Hearing this, the Tianlu Emperor was momentarily stunned.

Hmm?

"Came out?"

If Lu Chen has come out of the Formation, this could indeed be schemed upon.

The Tianlu Emperor fell into contemplation, and after a moment, he continued speaking, "Continue sending people to investigate if Lu Chen indeed emerged from the Daxia Dynasty's Formation. Also, during the investigation, be cautious not to alert them."

"Yes, Your Majesty!"

The Tianlu Emperor then glanced once more at the projection within the hall and with a wave of his hand, the projection instantly dissipated.

Regarding the Daxia Dynasty, the Tianlu Emperor didn't take it seriously, even if the Daxia Dynasty had a very solid Formation. Though he knew he probably couldn't break that Formation, if the Daxia Dynasty chose to actively attack them, then it would be different. No matter how many came from the Daxia Dynasty, he would kill as many.

Just as the Tianlu Emperor was about to stop concerning himself with matters of the Daxia Dynasty, a white light flashed through the hall, and immediately another Great Emperor appeared in the hall.

The Great Emperor, upon appearing in the hall, immediately spoke to the Tianlu Emperor, "Your Majesty, are you already aware of the matters concerning the East View Dynasty?"

Hearing this question, the Tianlu Emperor chuckled, then said, "Yes, there's no need to be overly concerned."

The Great Emperor continued, "Has Your Majesty also heard about the suspected existence of a Heavenly Emperor in the Daxia Dynasty?"

"Heavenly Emperor!"

Upon hearing these two words, all other Great Emperors in the hall momentarily turned their attention to the Great Emperor delivering the report, even the Tianlu Emperor sitting on the Dragon Throne straightened up.

After the Tianlu Emperor realized this, he frowned and said, "Impossible, where in the universe is there a Heavenly Emperor?"

The reporting Great Emperor continued, "According to the information I gathered, the Daxia Dynasty, before attacking the East View Dynasty, used the name of the Heavenly Emperor to force the East View Dynasty to surrender. Upon hearing that the Daxia Dynasty had a Heavenly Emperor, the East View Dynasty chose not to resist and directly surrendered."

"Moreover, that so-called Heavenly Emperor is said to be one who follows the Dao of Slaughter."

Every empire has spies in other empires, and with a dynasty as large as the East View Dynasty, other empires also have many spies. This kind of news couldn't remain hidden and spread quickly.

Of course, Lu Chen didn't intend to conceal it either. Bringing out the title of Heavenly Emperor was just to intimidate people. If he could use the name of the Heavenly Emperor to scare some empires into directly surrendering, it would indeed save him a lot of time.

At this moment, all the Great Emperors in the hall fell into silence. After all, that's the Heavenly Emperor, a title no one dared to claim for themselves.

The ruler of the Daxia Dynasty actually dared to impersonate a Heavenly Emperor? Aren't they afraid of divine retribution? Or does the Daxia Dynasty really have a Heavenly Emperor?

The Tianlu Emperor at this time chuckled, "Just because they claim to have a Heavenly Emperor, it doesn't mean it's true. It's just to scare those lower-level dynasties, but..."

At this point, the Tianlu Emperor paused, "But the talk of following the Dao of Slaughter does seem quite likely."

After Emperor Shenwu, there was another Shenyue Emperor who also followed the Dao of Slaughter, and Shenyue Emperor was the son of Emperor Shenwu.

As the son of Emperor Shenwu, it is not impossible for Lu Chen to inherit Emperor Shenwu's Dao.

Yet, the Tianlu Emperor still didn't take Lu Chen seriously. Even if Lu Chen truly followed the Dao of Slaughter, given Lu Chen's current realm, he couldn't be a match for him.

The Tianlu Emperor then put on a thoughtful expression, "But speaking of which, if Lu Chen indeed follows the Dao of Slaughter, it would be unacceptable to let him continue to grow."

Once a Slaughter Emperor matures, the Tianlu Dynasty is destined to be destroyed. Currently, Lu Chen has likely not been successfully following the Dao for long, which is why he chose to attack the empires within the Lingzhao Super Star Domain Group to boost his power.

If Lu Chen, the Slaughter Emperor, continues to create widespread slaughter, his strength will multiply. At that point, even Nin Layers of Realm Great Emperors might not be able to contend with him.

This, in the eyes of the Tianlu Emperor, indeed posed a huge threat. As for the claims of a Heavenly Emperor within the Daxia Dynasty, the Tianlu Emperor found it utterly unbelievable.